THE OFFICE ACTION

Remarks/Arguments

Applicants have now had an opportunity to carefully consider the Examiner's comments set forth in the Office Action of January 20, 2004.

Claims 1-16 and 33-34 were allowed, which is gratefully acknowledged

Claims 35 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Isaksen (US 5,560,967).

Claims 36 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Isaksen (US 5,560,967) in view of McKeil (US 5,312,145).

The two rejected claims remaining in the application have now been cancelled. Claims 17-32 were previously withdrawn from consideration. The remaining claims, claims 1-16, 33 and 34 all stand allowed.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that the subject application with claims 1-16, 33 and 34 is now in condition for allowance. Early notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

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